

MEETING OF THE CITY OF RUSHVILLE, INDIANA COMMON COUNCIL

SEPTEMBER 3, 2019

6:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: The Common Council of the City of Rushville met on the above date and time at 330 North Main Street, Suite 200, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Pavey called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG: The Pledge to the Flag was recited by those present.

PRAYER: Councilman Berkemeier led those present in prayer.

ROLL CALL: Bob Bridges, Brian Conner, Craig Smith, Brad Berkemeier, Gary Cameron, and Megan Bradley answered roll call. Also present were City Attorney, Tracy Newhouse, and Kraig Younts, *Rushville Republican*.

PUBLIC HEARING: Proposals and Qualifications for Taff Building – The public hearing was opened to discuss the BOT proposal for the Taff building in the approximate amount of \$700,000.00 for a brewery. Council will consider passing an agreement with the developer tonight. Smith asked if this meets our budget. Newhouse said it does. It does not include the upstairs portion of the building. Smith made a motion to close the public hearing. Berkemeier seconded the motion. The public hearing was closed.

MINUTES: Cameron moved to approve the minutes of the August 20, 2019 meeting as presented. Bridges seconded the motion. Motion carried with Councilman Berkemeier abstaining since he did not attend the meeting.

MAYOR'S REPORT: None.

CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT: None.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT: None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **Stellar Designation** – Mayor Pavey said movement is starting on the Overlook project. At the end of the year we will start bidding for construction. This could affect the concert series next year. We will need to come up with a plan for the concert series.
- **Amphitheater/Park Board** – Cameron said there was a concert last night and it was well attended. There is one left on September 21st.

- **APC/BZA** – Nothing.
- **City Center** – We still need to get the projector and put in the sound system. We also need to purchase the camera to video the meetings.
- **Housing** – Pavey said everything is signed and waiting on them. They will do a curb cut this year, they will excavate and get the pads ready, but the major construction will not take place until next year.
- **ECDC** – Nothing.
- **Cherry Street** – Resolutions were approved by the Board of Works, Council, and Utility Board. The Board of Works began the re-process of the construction of oversite
- **Marketing** – Nothing.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Fire – Chief Jenkins reported that the power load system is in and we plan to install on Thursday. The 2 CPR machines are in and training has begun with one of them, however, we did not receive all the batteries, so only one is in use at this time.

Animal – Directory Cottrell reported that her part-time employee turned in her resignation on Friday.

Street – Commissioner Miller said one of his employees will be having back surgery and will be off for 4-6 weeks. Another employee is having issues and may also need to take some leave.

Heavy trash will be picked up September 30 thru October 2. It will be picked up the same day as regular trash is picked up. Miller said he wants to do away with trailers bringing in trash for free during that week. Miller said residents can set out their heavy trash September 26-29th. They will only pick up what can be loaded in 10 minutes. There will be a charge for trash being brought to the dump by residents that week.

Miller said a cross walk will be put in at the City Center location.

Police – Chief Tucker said a water main broke at the station. They vacuumed over 200 gallons of water. They are assessing the damage.

The graphics for the SRO car have been approved.

Park – Mayor Pavey said the futsal court will be painted next week. It is scheduled for completion September 21st. The pool floor was being painted today. Frisbee golf is moving forward with the help of the Street Department. It is scheduled for opening October 12.

CITIZEN CONCERNS/COMMENTS: None.

PLANNING & ZONING:

1. **Ordinance 2019-16 Re-Zone N Washington** – The Plan Commission gave a favorable recommendation to zone R2. Bridges moved to approve Ordinance 2019-16. Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried.
2. **Ordinance 2019-17 Re-Zone 1420 N Washington** – Bridges moved to approve Ordinance 2019-17. Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. **Street Lights South of Town** – Everything has been approved and signed except the easements. Newhouse is working on the easements.
2. **CCMG Local Roads Status** – The 8th Street project will be broken into 3 phases. The Board of Works approved an agreement with F&V to break the project into 3 phases and to update our tamp process (grading streets). At the end of this week O'Mara will begin pot holing on 8th Street. Signage will go up regarding the projects. We are waiting on the mill and resurface from Robinson. Crack sealing will start September 9.
3. **Resolution 2019-28 – BOT Agreement Award** – Newhouse said this is the same concept as the design build process. The cost is approximately \$700,000 to remodel. This process is more cost effective and quicker. We can also tailor it to fit our needs. Cameron moved to approve Resolution 2019-28. Berkemeier seconded the motion. Motion carried.
 - a. BOT Contract with Exhibits –
 - b. Easement Agreement with Legal- BOT –

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Police Department Ordinance 2019-14 Revision Downtown Parking** – Mayor Pavey said he received a phone call regarding the ordinance. We need to address the truck parking at the old VFW location. We need to define the language in this ordinance. Councilman Smith volunteered to work on the amendment with Chief Tucker and Jemmy Miller.
2. **Ordinance 2019-15 Amendment Construction Standards Fees** – There is no permit required, but an application for work to be done should be approved regarding acceptable color. Berkemeier suggested that we send letters to everyone in the historic district. No fee would be associated the application. Newhouse will draw up the appropriate language.
3. **Ordinance 2019-18 – Bidding Requirements** – This is mainly concerning performance bonds and the amounts required. Newhouse said sometimes this prevents local people

from bidding on jobs, due to not being able to come up with the funds to cover the bond. We will send out paperwork for review.

4. **Ordinance 2019-19 – Mobile Food Truck Permits** – Will send out paperwork for review.

CLAIMS: Berkemeier moved to approve the claims as presented. Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ITEMS NOT KNOWN IN ADVANCE: Berkemeier thanked the PEO for sponsoring the “high five” program,. He said this is a great program.

ADJOURN: There was no further business to come before the Council; Berkemeier moved to adjourn. Smith seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:54 p.m.